

Shelby County Government

A C Wharton, Jr. Mayor

July 28, 2008

The Honorable David Lillard Shelby County Board of Commissioners 160 N. Main Street Suite 450 Memphis, Tennessee 38103

Dear Chairman Lillard:

Please accept this letter as supplementation to material submitted in regard to the Shelby Farms Master Plan, which is scheduled to be heard at the Conservation Committee on July 30, 2008 at 9:30 a.m.

Counsel for The Land Trust for Tennessee, Inc., The Agricenter Commission, and Shelby County (the "Parties") have reviewed the Master Plan document and determined that prudence dictates that a formal legal implementation document be developed to accompany the Master Plan. The Master Plan is a conceptual document and sets out guidelines for future enhancements to Shelby Farms Park.

Because the terms of the Conservation Easement provide that the Master Plan be incorporated into the Conservation Easement, it is necessary to create a document that contains definitive guidelines based on the Master Plan that may be used to enforce the terms of the Conservation Easement in future years. Accordingly, the Parties have developed the attached document, entitled *Master Plan Implementation Instrument for Shelby Farms Park*, and are requesting that this document be approved concurrent with the Master Plan.

Once approved, the *Master Plan Implementation Instrument for Shelby Farms Park* will become part of the Conservation Easement and will be filed with the Shelby County Register's Office. Recommended amendatory language for inclusion in the pending Resolution before the County Commission is highlighted on the attached Resolution.

The Parties feel that this action is necessary in order to clearly memorialize appropriate uses of the property as the Shelby Farms Park Conservancy moves forward to enhance the park for the benefit of all of the citizens of Shelby County. Should you have questions or need additional information, do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely.

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cc: The Honorable Mike Carpenter, Chairman, Conservation Committee

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